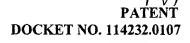
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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Filed: March 3, 2000

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated September 21, 2001. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00, wherein the Applicant qualifies for small entity status.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 50-1710.

Respectfully submitted,

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